



BadgerCare Plus

New Rules


4 new rules for BadgerCare Plus start **February 1, 2020** for adults ages 19-64 who don't have children under age 19.

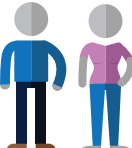
1. Premium

A. How much is the monthly premium?

\$8 per household. You can lower your premiums to as low as \$4 a month by taking the **Optional Health Survey**.

B. Who has to pay a monthly premium?

 **1 person household:**
You make more than \$531 a month before taxes

 **2 person household:**
Together you make more than \$718 a month before taxes

C. When is it due?

On the **10th of every month.** Or pay all monthly premiums for the whole year at one time.

If you don't pay your monthly premiums for the year, you may have to wait 6 months (with no BadgerCare Plus) before you can apply again. Or pay all past due premiums to reapply.

What is a premium?

The money you pay each month to have BadgerCare Plus. You pay premiums even if you don't get care.

How to pay:

- Mail in a check or money order
- On the MyACCESS mobile app
- Online at access.wi.gov

You don't have to pay if:

- You have a disability
- You were homeless during the last 12 months
- You are in a medical facility for 30 days or more
- You are an Alaskan native or American Indian
- You are pregnant

Call the 2-1-1 Helpline if you can't pay your monthly premiums. There may be programs that can help.

2. Optional Health Survey

If you have healthy habits, you could lower your monthly premium to as low as \$4 per month.

Examples include:

• wearing a seatbelt



• exercising



• not smoking



How to take the survey:

- By mail or phone (1-800-291-2002)
- Online at access.wi.gov
- On the MyACCESS mobile app

You don't have to take this survey. Your answers won't affect your BadgerCare Plus benefits in any way.

3. Emergency Room Co-Pay

Starting July 1, 2020 you will be charged **\$8** for each visit to the emergency room that is not an emergency. BadgerCare Plus calls this a **co-pay**.

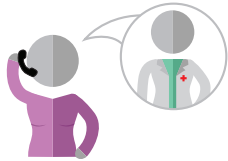
You will **not pay** for going to the emergency room if you have an **emergency**.

Only go to the emergency room if it's an emergency!

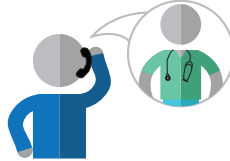
What if I'm sick and it's not an emergency?

If you need same day care:

- Call your doctor



- Call a 24 hour nurse hotline



- Go to an urgent care clinic



Make sure the clinic takes your insurance

Urgent care clinics or your doctor can help with these:

- Earaches
- Back pain
- Fevers
- Minor cuts, burns, or injuries
- Cough
- Sprains
- Sore throat
- Rashes
- Flu or cold symptoms
- Migraines
- Headaches

4. Drug Treatment Question

This yes or no question asks if you are open to getting help for drug use.

If you answer:

- Yes.** It means you are open to getting help for drug use.
- No.** It means you don't use drugs, don't want help, or don't want to answer the question.

You will not lose or be denied BadgerCare Plus if you use drugs.

You need to answer this question to get BadgerCare Plus.

How to answer the drug treatment question:

- By phone or mail
- Online at access.wi.gov
- On the MyACCESS mobile app
- In-person at your county or tribal IM agency

You don't have to answer if:

- You have a disability
- You are in a medical facility for 30 days or more
- You are an Alaskan native or American Indian